

Attorney General Maura Healy Office of the Attorney General One Ashburton Place Boston, MA 02108

Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation 501 Boylston St. Suite 5100 Boston, MA 02116

Dear Attorney General & Director:

Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 93H, we are writing to notify you of a breach of security/an unauthorized access or use of personal information involving Massachusetts residents.

#### NATURE OF THE SECURITY BREACH OR UNAUTHORIZED USE OR ACCESS

MasterCard Notification Received: 10/29/2024

**Event Description:** Security breach of a payment gateway provider's payment card environment.

Source of Compromise: Security Breach

Affected Time Period: August 15th, 2023 through May 25th, 2024

Electronic Data possibly compromised: Account Number, Expiration Date, CVC2, Card Holder Name & Address

#### NUMBER OF MASSACHUSETTS RESIDENTS AFFECTED

Total: 2

All affected residents were promptly notified via a written notice that was delivered by the US Postal Service.

## STEPS YOU HAVE TAKEN OR PLAN TO TAKE RELATING TO THE INCIDENT

All impacted cards have been flagged as "compromised" which escalates the review of transactions by our fraud detection system. Transactions associated with these flagged cards have a greater chance of being sent through our online real-time monitoring to risk-score the transactions before they are approved.

The notifications sent to all affected residents recommends that they contact us to reissue them a new card. We will only close and reissue a card without hearing from them if the suspected card has experienced fraud or attempted fraud. At this time, we do not have any evidence that the personal information was used for fraudulent purposes and have not reported the incident to law enforcement.

## OTHER NOTIFICATION AND CONTACT INFORMATION

Please contact me if you have any questions or if you require any additional information.

Sincerely,

The Village Bank Operations Department 320 Needham Street Suite 200 Newton, MA 02464







10/29/2024



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR VILLAGE BANK DEBIT MASTERCARD

Dear XXXX,

Card Number Ending: XXXX

We have received a security bulletin from MasterCard regarding a potential security breach.

You are receiving this notification because you initiated a debit card transaction with the impacted merchant some time before or during the affected time frame. Your Village Bank Debit MasterCard may have been involved.

The Village Bank's computer and debit card networks were not breached at any time and your confidential information on our systems remain safe.

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# Protecting your account against fraudulent activity is a top priority for us!

A high-level review of debit card activity against your account has not found any unusual or unauthorized transactions as a result of this suspected breach. All debit card transactions are run through our sophisticated real-time fraud detection system for monitoring.

At this time, we do not have any evidence that your personal information was used for fraudulent purposes but if you would like to completely eliminate the risk of fraud, we recommend that you contact us to close your card and we will reissue you a new one.

If you wish to order a new debit card or have any questions, please contact us at (617) 969-4300 or visit your local branch.

Sincerely,

The Village Bank Deposit Operations 320 Needham Street, Suite 200 Newton, MA 02464

Phone: (617) 969-4300







October 29, 2024



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR VILLAGE BANK DEBIT MASTERCARD

Dear XXXX,

PREVIOUS CARD NUMBER ENDING IN: XXXX

Your previous card has already been closed. This letter is for your information and to ensure you that your current card, if reordered, is active and secure.

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